C. DUKES SCOTT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





Phone: (803) 737-0800 Fax: (803) 737-0801

nsedwar@regstaff.sc.gov

Nanette S. Edwards Chief Counsel and Director of Legal Services

April 14, 2008

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Petition of Global Tel*Link Corporation for Alternative Regulation

Docket No. 2008-80-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed Global*Link's ("Global") request that the Commission regulate its inmate telecommunication services offerings, which are primarily collect calls, in accordance with the principles and procedures established by Orders No. 95-1734 and 96-55 in Docket No. 95-661-C.

More specifically, Global seeks Commission approval for:

- 1. the removal of maximum rate tariff requirements for its inmate services offerings, which are principally collect calls, a type of operator assisted call;
- 2. its tariff filings to be presumed valid upon filing. If the Commission institutes an investigation of a particular filing within seven (7) days, the tariff filing will be suspended until further order of the Commission; and
- 3. any relaxation in the reporting requirements that may be adopted for AT & T to apply to Global also.

Importantly, the Company "is fully aware of the Commission's rate caps associated with inmate and operator assisted services, and recognizes and accepts its responsibility to abide by the caps. Global acknowledges that approval of its request for Alternative Regulatory treatment in no way changes this responsibility. The Company's rates and charges have been and will continue to be in full compliance with the Commission's rules governing rates for inmate service providers."

The approval of alternative regulation will provide the company the flexibility to modify its tariff in a timely manner and the ability to respond to market conditions related to pricing of consumer card services and operator services.

After review and consideration of the company's filings, ORS does not oppose Global*Link's request.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

Vanual S. School

cc: Robin Norton

Dawn Hipp, Director TTWWW Chris Rozycki, Program Manager James McDaniel, Program Manager